

BURNED TO DEATH.

A Savage Punishment Revived in the Province of Yunnan, China.

The Governor of Yunnan states that in some of the country districts of that province the villagers have a horrible custom of burning to death any man caught stealing corn or fruit in the fields. They at the same time compel the man's relatives to sign a document giving their consent to what is done, and then make them light the fire with their own hands, so as to deter them from lodging a complaint afterward.

Sometimes the horrible penalty is exacted for the breaking of a single branch or stalk, or even false accusations are made and men put to death out of spite. This terrible practice, which seems incredible when heard, came into use during the time of the Yunnan rebellion, and the constant efforts of the authorities have not succeeded in extirpating it since.

Last autumn a case of the kind occurred in the Chuluching prefecture. One evening a man named Peng Chao-Sheng was going down to watch his own field. His path led him along the side of a patch of maize belonging to another man. As he passed he pulled off a head of corn. The owner saw him and shouted out, upon which he dropped the corn and fled. The owner went and told his landlord, upon which the latter proposed that the piller should be burned.

The two men having agreed, next morning they laid the matter before an assembly of the villagers. As the matter was so trifling some advised that it should be left drop, but their opinion was not listened to. On the following day the two men seized their victim and bound him. The poor man's mother came with all her relatives and begged for mercy. She offered to make atonement by forfeiting the whole of her property to the community, but all she could say was of no avail. The men refused to give way, and ordered her to give her consent to the murder in writing, threatening her that otherwise they would put her to death also. Overcome by fear she asked a stranger, a traveling doctor who cannot be identified, to write the required paper for her. They then piled up a heap of brushwood in an empty place outside the village and the next day at noon carried the man out and laid him bound upon it. The woman was compelled to set fire to the faggots, and her son was burned to death. Afterward, as soon as she could, she stole away to the town and gave information to the authorities. The two men were immediately arrested. One of them, the landlord, died in prison, but the other was sent to the provincial capital for trial.

The memorialists find that in the fifteenth year of Chien Lung (A. D. 1750) at the request of the Governor of Szechuen, it was decreed that in the case of any person being burned to death by a body of men, the principal offender should be executed by the lingering process and the participants in the crime be beheaded. The landlord, who in this case was the principal, has already died. His fellow-offender was condemned to immediate decapitation, and the sentence has been carried into effect without delay.

—Peking Official Gazette.

THE LATEST DISEASE.

It Has a Short Name, But a Long List of Unpleasant Symptoms.

"It" is the name of a new disease—so-called for lack of a more descriptive title. Its symptoms and courses do not tally with the description of other diseases, although it resembles a good many in its different forms. The most prominent symptom, in the first place, is a muscular or neuralgic pain mostly in the back. Another important symptom is extreme weakness, coming on suddenly, without any rise in pulse and without fever. The patient is languid, disinclined to work, the appetite is usually anorectic, and in a majority of cases the throat becomes affected, giving rise to something like tonsillitis, but it is not however, amenable to local treatment, as is the ordinary form of tonsillitis. It is infectious without being contagious. In other cases the mucous membrane of the stomach becomes affected, giving rise to severe symptoms of dyspepsia. In still another class of cases the mucous membrane of the bowels is affected, and the symptoms appear to be typhoid fever, but in all these cases neither the pulse nor the temperature shows any febrile disturbance in the first day or two. In all these genuine cases the fever first comes and then the disease develops. After the lapse of several days the pain usually disappears, with the general weakness increasing, and then, as the heart becomes weaker, both pulse and temperature become higher. The glands, usually, in the neck or in any part of the body, are more or less affected, being tender to the touch and somewhat swollen. If it appears in the throat or nose we frequently find false membranes upon the surface of the mucous membranes closely resembling the false membranes of diphtheria, differing from it, however, in that they do not change color nor turn up at the edges, nor is there any purulence or ulceration beneath. A distinguished Philadelphia physician thinks the malady is caused by an organic poison known as ptomaine, which is very volatile and is probably introduced into the system through the lungs. The poison can be eliminated only through the kidneys and the skin. Stimulation of their excretion is the proper treatment. Public speakers, singers and actors are prone to the ailment. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

HEALTH AND BEAUTY.

An Explanation of the Intimate Relations Existing Between the Two.

To be beautiful, a woman must be healthy; the delicacy which comes from physical weakness is not an element of beauty. The grace of a perfect form is the result of sound bones and flesh; health strengthens the muscles, and the proper condition of the stomach and lungs is of great importance on the perfect circulation of the blood and its freedom from all impurities depends the beauty of the complexion. The skin must be kept healthy by frequent bathing and proper diet, as well as plenty of exercise in the open air. The English are wont to say the paleness and sallow tinge of the American girl's complexion is due to insufficient nourishment, the want of strengthening food. A French author of note says: "A train of exact and rigid observation has demonstrated that a succulent, delicate and careful regimen repels to a distance, and for a considerable length of time, the external appearance of old age. It gives more brilliancy to the eyes, more freshness to the skin, more support to the muscles, and as it is certain in physiology that it is depression of the muscles that causes wrinkles, those enemies of beauty, it is equally true to say that, other things being equal, those who understand eating are comparatively ten years younger than those who do not understand that science." Our dry atmosphere, it is true, is somewhat unfavorable to clearness and brilliancy of the complexion, and our climate is more or less exhausting to the constitution of women, yet with care and attention to certain rules any woman, not actually diseased, may have good health, and with it some degree of beauty.

Bathing is one of the first requirements, as it produces a healthful condition of the skin. Therefore, the daily bath, with a walk of an hour or more in the open air (not the exercise of housework), and a plentiful supply of good, well-cooked, nourishing food—plain food, not pies, puddings and sweet meats—will not only not only to a woman's attractive appearance, but improve mind, body and soul, for health, happiness and virtue go hand in hand. —Ladies' Home Companion.

FRESH FASHION NOTES.

Information Obtained from Chicago Importers and Milliners.

Graceful neck-scarfs are worn with stylish home dresses.

The toque and the round hat are the favorites for spring headwear.

Printed China silks are evidently destined to a long run of popularity.

Black is a leading color in Paris, and is in great favor for evening toilets.

Gold trimming and gold embroidery may be seen on white and black bonnets.

Low crowns are the rule with round hats. The brim is much longer in front than at the back.

Spry silk is the fanciful name of a popular color. It is a dull leaden color reflecting silver lights.

The most popular colors for gloves are the golden browns, orange and grays. Of the latter there is a great variety—silver antique, spring sky, Russian gray, acier and nun's gray.

Newly-imported black lace dresses are being made up over foundations of black faille or mervellous satin, with no touch of color visible save the empire sash of old rose, violet, or Nile green.

Gloves for evening wear are made in tea rose, cameo, silver, pale-wheat color, primrose, jonquil yellow, vieux rose, strawberry, raspberry, Persian mauve, a charming rosy tint of violet, golden green, golden tan, opal, a rosy gray, and a pale Titian red that would be chosen for its oddity alone.

Silk crepe is a beautiful fabric suitable for evening dress. It resembles crepe, but is much softer and more diaphanous and clinging. It may be seen in old rose, almond, terra cotta, Nile green, ivory reseda, and primrose. For those who can stand the color, pale mauve-yellow silk crepe is very effective.

Young ladies are wearing ribbon bandeaus in their hair with evening toilets. A number of high loops of the ribbon are placed at the top of the coiffure upheld by invisible wires to keep them in position. Silver fillets are also worn with a Grecian style of dress. Such bands are of course suited only to women who have abundant tresses and classical features.

A stylish Marie Antoinette toilet, designed as a dancing dress for a New York belle, is made of olive and old-rose shot satin, brocaded with tiny gold rosebuds. This material forms the bodice and back, over a skirt of plain olive silk draped with old-rose tulle faintly flecked with gold. The pointed bodice is cut away in a deep, open V-shape in the neck, front, and back, with a Marie Antoinette fichu of the net veiling the edges. This airy tulle fichu crosses the front and the ends are carried to the back and there gracefully knotted, the sash falling over the shimmering folds of the brocade. —Chicago News.

HOME AND FARM.

—Give children oranges before breakfast and thus pleasantly anticipate the use of sulphur as a spring medicine.

—Never worry a generous, honest horse by putting a rug or a sluggard in the harness with him.—Northwestern Agriculturist.

—Dogs are frequently good institutions at home, but they have no business away from home, and as trespassers they should be shot down as wolves.

—To prevent the juice of fruit pies from soaking into the bottom crust, wash the crust over with a beaten egg before putting in the fruit.

—Chestnut rails make the best and most lasting fence of wood, but wire is cheaper and more easily made into a fence. No animal will attempt to pass a barbed-wire fence.

—All clothes worn through the day should be brushed, smoothed and carefully hung away at night, in a current of air, if possible, thus much longer preserving their shape and freshness.

—The ground is ready for pease, if an early supply is to be continued. Pease may be planted in succession, two weeks apart, for family use, as the early kinds seldom afford but a single plucking.

—The money made by farming is the cleanest, best money in the world. Agriculture fills the farmer's pocket at the expense of no other man. His gain is no man's loss, but the more he makes the better off is the world.—Iowa State Register.

—Green Pea Salad: Put some cold boiled peas (marrowfats are the best) into a dish and pour over them a mayonnaise sauce or plain salad dressing, and garnish with small heads of green mint.

—Two or three drops of turpentine on a lump of sugar is an excellent vermifuge. It will quickly relieve a child when a deadly pallor about the mouth indicates the cause of the illness, and is never harmful.

—A mad, vicious boy should never be retained on a farm. The cows are afraid of him and will not give down their milk. The horses will jump when they hear his voice or he raises his hand. It is hard to tell where such a boy's place is.

—It is often a question what to do with either the whites or yolks of eggs which are sometimes left after making cake, frosting, etc. Either will keep well for a day or two if set in a very cool place—the yolks well beaten and the whites unbroken.

—Buckwheat Crumpets: In the evening before using, scald one quart of milk, and add half a gill of Indian meal. When cool enough to mix, add flour enough to make a stiff batter, with half a cup of yeast. In the morning add two quarts of buttermilk, two teaspoonsful of soda, half a cup of butter, and buckwheat to make a stiff batter. A little molasses improves them.

—The most disastrous "trust" that ever envied a farmer, says Hoard's Dairyman, "is 'to trust to luck' to grow a crop from poor seed and half-cultivated and impoverished land, while he talks politics and bewails the grasping cupidity of the rich, and concludes that all folks not inside some 'trust ring' of thieves are to be incontinently 'chewed up,' and that the monopolists are soon 'to own the earth.'"

PECCABLE METHODS.

The aphorism that "all is fair in war" seems to be the guiding star of those who are in the habit of reading the attention in the latter-day newspapers.

In the strife which has followed, the art of advertising has been greatly changed from what it was a few years ago. Formerly, the casual mention of the merits of an article was all that was necessary to attract attention; but when the advertising columns of the papers became crowded, the reader of the newspaper soon realized that too much time would be consumed in reading all of them, and as a result, those columns were oftentimes skipped altogether.

It was then that advertising developed into a science—the preparation of advertising matter for the purpose of public attention is a task which, nowadays, requires a degree of tact and skill which not every one possesses. The modern advertiser, aware of the public disposition to hurriedly pass over the ordinary advertisements, has called to his assistance all conceivable ingenious devices of the printer's art which will attract the eye, and his advertisement is attractive to the reader.

Peccable methods are often employed—as is usual in the case of the extensive advertising which is done in behalf of Warner's Safe Cure, the noted "discovery" for all diseases of the kidneys and disorders arising therefrom.

What appears to the ordinary reader as an enticing article of current news discovered upon perusal to be an interesting article which impresses the fact upon the reader's mind that kidney disease is the original cause of most lung, heart and nervous disorders, and that those disorders are not disease itself, but only symptoms of a disease which can be successfully treated by the use of Warner's Safe Cure, which will remove the primary cause and thereby restore other affected organs to a vigorous and healthy state.

In this instance the advertiser, by peculiar means, succeeds in attracting the reader's attention, and not only is the name of the advertised article impressed upon the mind, but also the purpose of the advertisement is accomplished. Besides achieving the advertiser's purpose, this method of advertising is a means of placing much valuable information in the hands of many who otherwise would very probably remain ignorant upon a subject of great importance.

Modern advertising has become a profitable field of employment, and no large business house is longer completely without a competent advertising bureau attached.

—It is somewhat singular how often the commission of a single seemingly insignificant letter will alter the entire meaning of a sentence. For instance, several errors are recorded where the letter "w" has been omitted from the word "widow," invariably placing a "widow" in some embarrassing position; as where, on the occasion of a street pageant, a gentleman unwittingly advertised "several widows for hire."

An Appeal for Assistance.

The man who is charitable to himself will listen to the mute appeal for assistance made by his stomach or his liver, in the shape of divers dyspeptic qualms and uneasy sensations in the regions of the gland that secretes his bile. Hoard's Stomach Bitters, my dear sir, or madam—as the case may be—what you require. Hasten to use if you are troubled with heartburn, wind in the stomach, or note that your skin or the whites of your eyes are taking a sallow hue.

Bad Luck is simply a man with his hands in his pockets and a pipe in his mouth, waiting to see how it is coming out. Good luck is a man of pluck, with his sleeves rolled up, and working to make it come out all right.

Now the Centropolis, Kansas City, Mo. December 1, 1887.

There is nothing so valuable to us as health, but we do not realize this until we are deprived of it. How many of our readers awake in the morning with dull pains in the back and head, and find it a hard task to perform daily duties! These are symptoms of Malaria, and we know that if we are not relieved by a powerful medicine, it is a simple and effective remedy, and we advise our readers to try it.

A Boston critic says that the art of poetry-writing has gone into decay. Undoubtedly he means that most modern poets are writing rot.

You hardly realize that it is medicine, when taking Carter's Little Liver Pills; they are very small; no bad effects; all troubles from torpid liver are relieved by their use.

The fashion of carrying a muff dates three hundred years back. Courtiers wore them in the time of George I.

HOME-MADE CHEESE.

How a Massachusetts Lady Makes a Prime Article for Home Use.

In these days of co-operative dairying, when cheese is so generally made at factories, it is impossible to compete with them in the cost of manufacture by any home dairy, yet it is nice to have a few old-fashioned home-made cheeses, to recall the good old times when we used to eat the cheese made by our grandmothers. This is the plan of a Massachusetts lady who makes rich, fine and delicately flavored cheese. The night's milk is strained into pans till morning, when the cream is taken off, and the milk warmed to blood heat, when the cream is returned to the milk and thoroughly mixed. This prevents the melting of the cream, that would otherwise run off with the whey. The whey is then put into a tub with the morning's milk and set for the cheese, with rennet enough to form the curd in about thirty minutes; and here much care is thought to be necessary in cutting and crossing the curd, and moderation in dipping and drawing the whey from it that the white whey (so called) may not exude from it.

When sufficiently drained, it is taken and cut with a sharp knife to about the size and form of dice. It is salted with one pound of fine salt to twenty-five of curd. It is then subjected to pressure, moderate at first, gradually increasing it for two days, in the meantime turning it twice a day, and substituting dry cloths. It is then taken from the press and dressed all over with hot melted butter, and covered with thin cotton-cloth, and this saturated with the melted butter. It is then placed upon a shelf, and turned and rubbed daily with the dressing until ripe for use. —Chicago Journal.

WHAT A POUND WILL YIELD.

It has been fairly tested that this weight of wool can furnish in fine yarn eighty-four thousand yards, lacking but eighty yards to complete forty-eight miles. This at the time—more than one hundred years ago—was regarded as a triumph of skill, and it was said by more than a score of mistresses in the art of spinning that the worthy dame of East Dereham, in Norfolk, could not be beat. This was considered so great a curiosity that the Royal Society of England did not hesitate to make honorable record of it. Since then, however, another lady "has spun a pound of combed wool into a thread of one hundred and sixty-eight thousand yards; and more than this was her success of producing a thread two hundred and three thousand yards long from the same weight of cotton. Her ball unrolled would measure one hundred and fifteen miles. If this ball of cotton-thread had been woven it would have made twenty yards of muslin one yard in width."

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This is the age of wonders and the average American citizen is no longer surprised at anything. If you want to experience that sensation, however, just write to R. F. Johnson & Co., 1009 Main street, Richmond, Va., and hear what they have got to say of the success of some of their agents. They have got the goods that sell, and any one out of employment will consult their own interests by applying to them.

WEALTH, after all, is a relative thing, since he that has little, and wants less, is richer than he that has much, but wants more.

DANON Scarcely by a Cough is averted with Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute.

A MAN feels down in the mouth when buying a horse, and sometimes much more so after buying it.

BILIOUSNESS, dizziness, nausea, headache, are relieved by small doses of Carter's Little Liver Pills.

The richest man, whatever his lot, is he who's content with what he has got.

Inflicted with Sore Eyes use Dr. Isaac Thompson's Eye Water. Druggists sell it.

HUMAN foresight often leaves its proudest possessor only a choice of evils.

My little boy, 5 years old, was sick with a disease for which I could find no name. The nails came off his fingers, and the fingers came off to the cause of most lung, heart and nervous disorders, and that those disorders are not disease itself, but only symptoms of a disease which can be successfully treated by the use of Warner's Safe Cure, which will remove the primary cause and thereby restore other affected organs to a vigorous and healthy state.

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